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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

SUBJECT: Petroleum Intelligence Production for National Intelligence Surveys.

Reference: (a) Subject memorandum from the Director of Central Intelligence to the Chairman, Munitions Board, dated 16 August 1949.

1. Reference (a) requested that the Munitions Board Petroleum Committee give consideration to a proposal to furnish intelligence support in its field to the National Intelligence Surveys Program of the Central Intelligence Agency. Reference (a) also designated [REDACTED], Chairman of the National Intelligence Surveys Committee, as the representative of the Director of Central Intelligence to discuss the National Intelligence Surveys Program Petroleum Supplement requirements with members of the Munitions Board Petroleum Committee.

2. Members of the Munitions Board Petroleum Committee, through discussions with [REDACTED] and members of the NIS Petroleum Sub-Committee, have acquired an estimate of the nature and scope of subject NIS Petroleum requirements.

3. The Munitions Board Petroleum Committee can furnish the required intelligence support in its field to the National Intelligence Surveys Program provided sufficient additional personnel are furnished the Munitions Board Petroleum Committee, to allow it to carry out this function in addition to its regularly assigned mission and tasks.

4. The following additional personnel are required to provide the basic personnel force necessary to furnish subject intelligence support (production of fifteen NIS petroleum chapters and requisite petroleum supplements annually, ultimately covering 103 NIS world areas).

Civilians:

- 1 P-7 or CAF-14 - Petroleum Economist
- 1 P-6 or CAF-13 - Petroleum Engineer or Petroleum Geologist
- 1 P-5 or CAF-12 - Petroleum Technologist
- 1 P-5 or CAF-12 - Economic Geographer
- 1 CAF-9 - Statistician or Junior Economist
- 1 CAF-7 - Editorial Assistant
- 1 CAF-5 - Secretary
- 1 CAF-4 - Clerk-Stenographer
- 1 CAF-4 - Clerk-Typist

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The annual salaries of the foregoing civilian personnel will be approximately [REDACTED] At the end of six months operation of the MEPC MIS petroleum staff, its personnel requirements will be reviewed and recommendations made for such upward or downward revisions as appear indicated. Because of budgetary limitations, the Munitions Board is unable to provide civilian personnel to work on this project.

5. Detail job descriptions for each of the individuals specified in paragraph 4 are in preparation and will be furnished at a later date.

6. The MEPC MIS petroleum staff would work in close liaison with the balance of the Petroleum Committee staff, and each group will mutually augment the other.

7. Should the MEPC undertake the production of MIS petroleum chapters and supplements, it is desirable that close liaison be maintained between the MIS Petroleum Sub-Committee and the MEPC to insure conformity with requirements of the MIS Committee in the preparation of subject chapters and supplements.

8. Advice is also requested as to when it is desired that the Petroleum Committee start furnishing petroleum intelligence support in order that authority, subject to budgetary considerations, may be given to the Petroleum Committee to initiate action for the procurement of the personnel specified in paragraph 4.

9. It is anticipated that from the date authority is given the Petroleum Committee to initiate action for the procurement of the personnel specified in paragraph 4, a period of nine months will be required prior to issuance of the first report. Of this nine-month period, approximately three months will be required for procurement and processing of personnel and six months for the collection and evaluation of data and the drafting and standardizing of chapter and supplement outlines.

s/ Patrick W. Timberlake
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